

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The present invention thus has for its object a variable format printing machine, of the type constituted by at least two offset printing apparatus, comprising a frame supporting a paper cylinder against which a blanket cylinder presses a blanket to be printed, the printing ink being supplied on a plate cylinder in contact with the blanket cylinder by inking rollers, characterized in that:

- the paper cylinder of each apparatus is devoid of any drive in rotation, and is substantially fixed with respect to the frame,

- between two adjacent apparatus which print one and the same face of the blanket, the arrangement is such that this face is in contact only with the blanket cylinders.--